

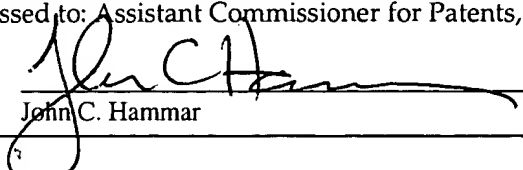


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Applicant: J. Waldrop *et al.*

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Art Unit: 1732

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For: *Double Bag Vacuum Infusion Process and System for Low Cost  
Advanced Composite Fabrication*

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant submits the PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT prior to examination to correct typographical errors discovered in the specification. Applicant also adds claims 11 & 12. Applicant adds one additional independent claim in excess of three, so please charge the fee of \$80.00 to Deposit Account 02-2960. Applicant does not believe that any other fee is due. In the event that Applicant should owe an additional fee, however, please also charge that fee to Deposit Account 02-2960.

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*Please amend the specification as follows:*

Marked up versions of the paragraphs changed in the specification are presented in a separate section following this amendment.

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